

CONTEST THE LOCAL OPTION ELECTION

There Should Be Only One Class of Qualified Voters.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WINCHESTER, Va., March 31.—A complaint was filed in the clerk's office of the Corporation Court to-day on behalf of a large number of citizens of Winchester, asking that the local option election held in Winchester on March 22d, be set aside and declared illegal and void.

The bill states a number of legal grounds for declaring the election unconstitutional, and of no legal effect. Several hundreds of persons who had not paid their poll taxes six months prior to the day of election, the pre-requisite to their right to vote prescribed by the Constitution of Virginia, were permitted to vote.

The bill submits, as the controlling proposition of law in the case that under the Constitution and statute law of Virginia, there is no difference between regular and special or local option elections so far as the qualification of voters is concerned; that there can be but one class of qualified voters, and that they must be entitled to vote at both kinds of election or not entitled to vote at all.

The bill of complaint, which is a lengthy instrument covering many pages, was drawn by Roy Stephenson, of counsel for the Virginia Anti-Saloon League. Robert M. Ward, Herbert S. Larrick and Harry R. Kern have also been retained by the league.

CHARGE OF ABDUCTION.
Syrian Pedlar Arrested for Bad Treatment of Swedish Girl.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LYNCHBURG, Va., March 31.—Henry Shonkhor, the Syrian pedlar, who, with Lena Sheets, a fourteen-year-old Swedish girl, was arrested at the Central House here Wednesday, where the man had registered himself and the child as husband and wife, was given a hearing in the Police Court this morning on the charge of abduction, and held for the grand jury on Monday in the Corporation Court.

No charge was made against the girl, and she will probably be returned by the authorities to her friends at Eagle Rock, from where she came.

The evidence of the girl before the Mayor indicated that she had been badly treated by the pedlar. The girl, however, admitted that she had submitted to his ill treatment on account of her fear of the man.

Shonkhor was also fined \$20 on the charge of carrying false or grass knauks, which were found on his person when arrested.

MINISTER ALONE SAVED.
Boat Capsized and Two Negro Ferryman and Horse Drowned.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
SOUTH BOSTON, Va., March 31.—Two negroes were drowned while crossing Dan River this morning at Paces Ferry. They were rowing Rev. W. A. Creath, of Elmo, across the river to attend his church. When about the middle of the river the boat capsized and his horse and the two negroes were drowned. Rev. Creath escaped by holding on to his umbrella, which was strapped to his saddle, until he could reach the limb of a tree which saved his life.

Bank an dPostal Affairs.
(From Our Regular Correspondent.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 31.—The

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City National Bank, of Roanoke, Va., has been authorized to commence business, with \$250,000 capital. John W. Woods, president; B. H. Hurt and D. M. Taylor, vice-presidents; N. W. Phelps, cashier.

The Diamond National Bank, of Pittsburgh, Pa., has been approved as a reserve agent for the Merchants National Bank, of Richmond, by the Federal Reserve Board.

North Carolina postmasters appointed: Glen Ayre, Mitchell county, Nolia Buchanan, vice James S. Sparks, resigned; Valley, Mitchell county, Charles W. Burleson, vice R. T. Lewis, resigned.

YOUNG GIRL DROWNED.

Was Endeavoring to Cross a Swollen Stream in Buggy.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BRISTOL, Va., March 31.—R. M. Kinney, treasurer of a prominent business house here, was called to Blair, in Carroll county, last night by a message announcing that his seventeen-year-old sister, Miss Laura Kinney, had been drowned while endeavoring to cross a swollen stream.

A lady who occupied the buggy with Miss Kinney, narrowly escaped a like fate.

Enterprising Adam.
Eve—What are you going to do with that basket of fig leaves?
Adam—Going to open a clothing store.

The Retort Unpleasant.
Hewitt—There's a fool born every minute.
Lewell—How well you keep track of your family.

Views of the Virginia Editors

Emporia Enterprise.
Some of the leading business people of Emporia, who are interested in the development of the water power in the Meherrin, have tried for several years past to get outside capital interested, but without success. Now they are seriously considering shouldering the whole burden and constructing a dam at their own cost. They realize that it will require a big expenditure, but that when once the dam is built the power at their disposal will be immense and that this will be of great importance in attracting enterprises to the town.—Emporia Messenger.

Serious Joke.
Mayor McCarthy seems to be a jester. He will probably learn to his regret that there are some matters which are not suitable subjects for jest.—Charlottesville Progress.

As Republicans See Us.
Our Democratic friends boast that Democracy means the rule of the people, a government of the people and by the people. Properly speaking this is what it does mean. But in Virginia it is fast coming to mean the rule of the many by the few. The recent action of the Legislature in taking from the people their right to name the commissioners of the revenue is but an example of how the Virginia Democracy considers the rights of the people. These officers have always been elected by the people, but now the right is taken from the voters and put in the hands of a few, who will be controlled absolutely by what a few partisans may dictate or recommend. If this can be justified, then why not go farther. Why not appoint clerks, sheriffs, treasurers, Commonwealth's attorneys, and all our district officers—Old Dominion Sun.

In Memoriam.

News has been received of the death of the old second-class city of Staunton. For some weeks it had been in ill health, struggling as it were between life and death, but patient and kind nurses were on hand, and all that human skill and medical science could suggest had been done, but amid pain and suffering its life went out, its spirit took flight on Friday, the 28th inst., about 1 o'clock A. M., at a hospital in Richmond, whence it had been carried by its friends believing that whilst there was life there was hope. The immediate cause of dissolution dates back to the day when the old city went out and overexerted itself in gathering sub-herbs. Since then it has not been well. The old second-class city is dead, but whilst we mourn its loss, we are comforted to know that in its stead a new first-class city has been born.

Little City thou hast left us.
We thy loss most deeply feel.
'Tis the court that has bereft us.
It must all our sorrow heal.

—Staunton Spectator.

Southern Hysteria.

There seems to be some doubts as to whether Judge Alton B. Parker (the man who "also ran" for President in 1904), really made that speech declaring for a Southern man for President in 1908.

But the South need not go into a fit of hysteria over it, especially if it came from the Judge. It is rank, sticky taffy, no matter where it came from. The South should stop being a hysterical schoolgirl, ready to be embraced by Roosevelt in November, and by Alton B. Parker in March. Warm weather is coming, ice is scarce in the country, and will be wise to keep cool.

The year 1908 is some distance off. Many things can happen between then and now. It looks now as if the people will turn to Bryan to save them from the trusts on the one hand and the socialists on the other. But it may look differently in 1907.—Farmville Herald.

Tried to Kill Himself.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BRISTOL, Va., March 31.—William W. Bowles, a packer employed by the Bristol China Company, made a desperate effort to commit suicide at his boarding house this afternoon. He gashed his throat severely with a razor and the blood flowed freely from the wounds, but the jugular vein was not cut. He states that despondency led him to the act.

Bowles came here from Lynchburg, Va. He is fifty-five years old. He was married, but he and his wife separated some time ago.

BRISTOL SOCIETY.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BRISTOL, Va., March 31.—Colonel Jack Faw and wife, who spent a part of the winter in Southern Florida, were in Bristol early in the week. They will spend some time in upper East Tennessee.

Mrs. Lucy Sells McGuire, of London, Ont., is in Bristol on a visit to her mother and other relatives. She will spend several weeks here and in upper East Tennessee.

An event that is looked forward to with much interest by the younger society set of Bristol, is the marriage of Mr. Cabell Childress and Miss Lillian Berry. Both are popular in Bristol social circles. The bride-to-be is quite a beautiful and charming young lady. Mr. Childress has been for several years prominently connected with the general offices of the Virginia Iron, Coal and Coke Company. The marriage will be celebrated in the First Presbyterian Church on the 2nd day of May.

Mrs. W. P. Hamilton will leave Monday for Martinsville, Ind., where she will spend a few weeks for the benefit of her health.

Mrs. James Wood, of Lynchburg, who was the guest of Mrs. H. E. Graves at her palatial home, "The Towers," in Northwest Bristol, has returned to her home.

Mrs. S. G. Harris is visiting at Boydton, Va.

Miss Pemberton, of Lebanon, Va., was the guest of her sister at Sullivan College this week.

Miss Martha Tompkins, of Richmond, is spending a few days with home folks in Bristol.

Mr. and Mrs. John King are at home from Memphis, where they spent two weeks pleasantly among relatives and friends.

Miss Maggie Venable, of Marion, Va., is visiting relatives in Bristol.

LEESBURG, VA.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LEESBURG, Va., March 31.—The John S. McDonald farm, containing 193 acres, located several miles from Leesburg, has been purchased by Mr. John W. Clark, of Meadow View, Washington county, Va.

The Warrenton Hunt Club races will take place on April 3d, near Warrenton. There are three events and in each there are numerous entries.

The Town Council of Leesburg, will propose a petition to be presented to Judge C. E. Nicol, at the April term, seeking to extend the corporate limits of the town. The question of supplying the town with a gravity system of water works will be voted on by the citizens of Leesburg, in May.

Their Meeting.
She-Sir! I wasn't aware that we had met.
He—"Met!" Why, our autos collided only last Saturday in the park—New York Press.

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th. will be Dr. Robert Frazier, of this city, whose subject will be "The Rural School and the Taxpayer."

Mrs. J. A. C. Chandler and two little sons, and Miss Miller, of New York, are spending some time at the Lawn in Caroline county. Mrs. Chandler is pleasantly remembered in Richmond, where she lived for some years.

Mrs. R. H. Williams is in Fredericksburg on business.

Mrs. W. E. Roane recently visited his mother at Abner, Gloucester county, Va.

Mrs. R. T. Lettwich has returned to his home in Staunton, after a visit to friends in Richmond and King William county.

Mr. Frederick S. Bullard, of Radford, who has been for four years in the United States navy, has sailed for America, and will reach San Francisco about April 10th. Mr. Bullard was chief machinist on the "Raleigh," which has been in Philippine waters for about two years.

A military drill and musical given in the Clifton Forge Opera House Thursday night was a great success. It included in the list of performers: Messrs. Ella Smith, Ellen Carpenter, Martha Williamson, Miss Miller, Miss Howard; Mrs. E. R. Massey; Messrs. S. H. Snapp, Arthur Dickinson, A. W. Woodward, Frank and Robert Wheeler and W. M. Dugger.

Mrs. Dorothy Henry Henderson, of Clarke county, one of the most dashing equestrians in Virginia, is attending the Horse Show in Washington, D. C.

A number of distinguished guests will gather at the Pilgrimage Club, in New York city, this evening to attend a dinner given Lord Grey, Governor-General of Canada. Lady Evelyn Grey, who accompanied her parents from Ottawa to New York, is the guest while there of Mr. W. Butler Duncan.

An interesting engagement, recently announced, is that of Miss Mary Gay I. of Chattanooga, Tenn., to Mr. A. Calhoun, son of Dr. A. W. Calhoun, celebrated Atlanta oculist.

A new farmhouse for visitors to Springs has been opened under the name of "management." It is called "Oaks."

New York society is much interested over the breaking off of the engagement between Mrs. Eloise Kernocian, wife of James Lorillard Kernocian, to Mr. H. Forsythe, of England, hunter of Meadow Brook Club, Long Island.

Explosive Sea Shells.
Nature has made many kinds of shells in the shape of sea pods which, with great force and project the contents to a considerable distance. There is a small shell which explodes with a formidably noise and suggests a veritable dynamite bomb.

Not long ago a young lady wand on the shore of Mobile Bay picked up a handful of shells left by the tide. As she was about to throw away a small, smooth, the largest of which was more than a half-inch in diameter, she stepped them into her pocket and forgot about them till some days afterwards, when she noticed an unpleasant odor which from her wardrobe. On taking them from her pocket one of them exploded, the floor and exploded with a sharp, loud enough to be heard in an adjacent room. She tried another with the result. The shells were then examined by a scientist, who found the mouth of each firmly enclosed by a membrane, greater or less thick, formed by the drying of the animal's slime. This probably occurred soon after the death of the animal, the moisture of the beach, and the heat of the sun, had entirely filled the space. On extracting a little pressure, an explosion was produced, the fragments flying in all directions. A dozen shells only two failed to explode.

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Society.

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Miss Lily Monrore, of No. 111 North Third Street, is visiting friends and relatives in New York. After Easter she will go to New York, R. I., to be the guest of her friends, Lieutenant and Mrs. Hilary Herbert Royall, of the United States navy.

Miss Josephine Sullivan will spend Easter at the University of Virginia.

Professor W. A. Bowles has returned to Staunton, after spending several days here to attend the meeting of the Board of Education.

Master Ashby Land, who has been undergoing treatment here, will return this week to his home in Blackstone, Va.

Miss Tompkins has returned to her work at St. Luke's Hospital here, after spending several weeks in Wytheville, Va.

Mrs. C. M. Jordan, of Black Walnut, Va., is at St. Luke's Hospital for treatment.

Mrs. J. Martin Moon, of Richmond, is visiting relatives in Scottsville, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Barden and little daughter, of Amelia county, are in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Edward Browning, of Flint Hill, Rappahannock county, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sue D., to Mr. Clifton Harvey Chinn, of Eastville, Va. The wedding will take place in the Baptist Church at Flint Hill the latter part of April.

Mrs. Eva Baker, of South Boston, Va., has come to this city, where she will make her home.

Mrs. Roosevelt, accompanied by her three children, Ethel, Archie and Quentin, arrived in Fernandina, Fla., and has set sail on the yacht Mayflower for a cruise in the West Indies.

Mrs. W. M. Murphy and little daughter, of Amelia county, are in Richmond.

Miss Ella Lou Dowdell, of Rappahannock county, is undergoing treatment at Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Preston Harding, of Burkeville, Va., who is seriously ill at Memorial Hospital in Richmond, has with him his sisters and brothers. Rev. R. D. Harding and wife, of Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. John Tyler, of North Carolina; Messrs. S. A. and J. P. Smith, of Burkeville, Va.; Mrs. Alice and Carrie Harding, of Burkeville.

Mrs. F. F. Sterrett, of Charlottesville, Va., is the guest of Mrs. J. Taylor Wyson.

Captain and Mrs. J. M. Simms, of New Bedford, Mass., who have been spending the winter in Richmond, expect to leave this week for a month's stay in Washington on their return trip home. Their friends in Richmond will be sorry to see them leave.

Among those who are to speak at the great educational convention of the Seventh Congressional District, which meets in Harrisonburg on April 6th and

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